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In re Application of  
Edward L. Sinofsky, et. al.  
Application No. 09/616,303  
Filed: July 14, 2000  
Attorney Docket No.101327-146

ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) filed October 9, 2003, to revive the above-identified application.

The application became abandoned for failure to timely reply within the meaning of 37 CFR 1.113 to the final Office action of April 3, 2003, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) was obtained. Since the amendment filed June 5, 2003, did not *prima facie* place the application in condition for allowance, the application became abandoned after midnight July 3, 2003.

In response to the final Office action, petitioner submitted with the instant petition \$665 for the petition to revive fee, and an Request for Continued Examination (RCE), along with \$385 for the filing fee.

Since the requirements for a grantable petition have been met, the petition is **GRANTED**.

The application is being forwarded to Technology Center 3700, for processing the Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and for consideration of the amendment previously filed on June 5, 2003.

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